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TAGS: EAIR, GR

SUBJECT: CIVAIR - GERMAN AIR FORCE AIRCRAFT CRASH ON CRETE

BEIRUT FOR RCAA

REF: 10 FAM 521.7

1. GERMAN AIR FORCE 2-ENGINE CONVERTED FREIGHTER, CARRYING  
MILITARY PERSONNEL FOR TRAINING AT THE NATO MISSILE FIRING  
INSTALLATION (NAMFI) RANGE AT AKROTIRI, KHANIA, CRETE, CRASHED  
SUNDAY AFTERNOON ON LEFKA ORI MOUNTAIN, SOUTH OF THE SUDA AIRPORT,  
FIVE MINUTES BEFORE ETA. PARTICULARS SO FAR DEVELOPED (IN SEQUENCE  
OF FAM):

A TRANSALL C/160, 2-ENGINE, CONVERTED CARGO, REGISTRATION  
NO. DCN-8259

B. GERMAN AIR FORCE

C. DATE AND TIME OF ACCIDENT: 9 FEBRUARY 1975; 1418Z

D. LAST POINT OF DEPARTURE: UNKNOWN; POINT OF INTENDED  
LANDING: SOUDA (KHANIA) AIRPORT

E. CRASH LOCATION: 35 DEGREES 18 MINUTES NORTH; 23 DEGREES 56  
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MINUTES EAST. RUGGED TERRAIN; ALTITUDE 6,500 FEET; HEAVY SNOW.

F. TOTAL CREW AND PASSENGERS 42; ALL PRESUMED DEAD

G. NATURE OF ACCIDENT STILL UNASCERTAINED; AIRCRAFT TOTAL  
DESTROYED

H. GERMAN DEFENSE SECRETARY, GERMAN CHIEF OF CAA AND  
GERMAN AMBASSADOR TO GREECE FLYING TO ACCIDENT SITE.  
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